

## **George Shaw – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745**

George Shaw appears to be the first of the Shaw family in Eastham. Records show he married Constant Doane in Eastham in 1690. They had at least six children including a son named George born in 1695. George, father of George, died in Eastham in 1720. George and Constant probably are buried in unmarked graves in Eastham Cove Burying Ground or Orleans Old Cemetery.

### 1703

Granted to George Shaw and Joshua Harding and their heirs a parcel of meadow on Pochet Flats or Low Meadow between Pochet Island and Sampson's Island. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about five acres. PDF A270, M147.

Granted to George Shaw and Nathaniel Mayo and their heirs two parcels of meadow. One parcel was at Pochet High Meadow near the beach. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about four acres. The other parcel was about one acre near Potonamucut Harbor. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A276, M158, S88.

### 1708

Granted to George Shaw and his heirs about four acres of upland on the western side of a little pond and swamp opposite the house of Thomas Rich. Bounds were indicated by marked trees and stones marked G. PDF A225, M31.

### 1711

Granted to George Shaw, Daniel Doane, Joseph Rogers, William Smith, William Twining and David Young one of twenty-four lots at Great Island at Billingsgate. The lot acreage or dimensions were not given but probably the lot was about six or seven acres like most of the lots on Great Island. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF T89.

Granted to George Shaw and his heirs about six acres on the westerly and southerly sides of his house where he lived. Bounds were indicated by stones. PDF T92.

Granted to George Shaw and his heirs about four acres in two parcels. One parcel was about three acres next to the lots of Thomas Rich and Elisha Higgins and near the way to Harwich. The other parcel was about one acre on the northerly side of his house lot. Bounds were indicated by stones and marked trees. PDF T92.

Granted to George Shaw and his heirs about six acres for his wood lot northerly from David Doane's house and northerly of Samuel Treat's wood lot. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T92.

### 1715

Granted to George Shaw and his heirs two parcels of land. One parcel was about five and one-half acres between his other land and the roadway to Harwich. The other parcel was about four acres on the southerly side of his other land and on the northerly side of the way from Pochet to Harwich. Bounds of both parcels were indicated by stones. PDF T214.

Granted to George Shaw and his heirs a wood lot on the northerly side of the lot of Joseph Myrick and east of the cart way that ran from James Robin's towards Billingsgate. The wood lot ran north sixteen pole and ran due east to the Backside Sea. Most of these wood lots which ran east to the Backside Sea were about one mile long which would make this wood lot about thirty-two acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes and marked trees. PDF T263.

The land owned by George Shaw and his heirs described in these records amounts to about sixty-five acres. No other Shaws were found in the Eastham land grants up to 1745.